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Interview Summary

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview: 11 December 2008.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☒ Personal (copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: ____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Wehrle et al., Oberle et al.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussed with applicant's representative the amendment of claim 1 in regards to the disclosure of the prior art references, more specifically to the structure of the contact faces of the retaining element/magnet. Applicant will file a response to distinguish the invention over the references more clearly, and the Office will take it into consideration.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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